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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION :	
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF :	Administrative Action
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KATHERINE A. COOPER, L.C.S.W. :	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE, NOTICE
LICENSE SC 43364 :	OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO
:	FILE ANSWER
TO PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK :	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :	

TO: Katherine A. Cooper
603 N. Broadway
Pitman, N.J. 08071-2032

This matter having been opened to the New Jersey Board of Social Work Examiners by the Verified Administrative Complaint, copy attached, of John J. Farmer, Jr., Attorney General of New Jersey, by Kathy Stroh Mendoza, Deputy Attorney General, seeking the suspension, revocation or other limitations on the license of respondent, Katherine A. Cooper, L.C.S.W. to practice social work and for other relief pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board by N.J.S.A. 45:9-1 et seq., 45:1-14 et seq. and related administrative regulations, and further seeking the temporary suspension or other limitation on said license pending final

disposition of the Verified Complaint pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, and it being alleged in the Complaint that respondent has committed serious violations of the Social Workers' Licensing Act of 1991, N.J.S.A. 45:15BB-1 et seq. and the Uniform Enforcement Act, N.J.S.A. 45:1-7 et seq. and it being further alleged that the continued practice of social work by respondent presents a clear and imminent danger to the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown;

IT IS on this day of 30th March 2000,

ORDERED that respondent, Katherine A. Cooper, L.C.S.W., either in person or by attorney, show cause before the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners, on April 5, 2000, at 124 Halsey Street in Newark, New Jersey, at 9:30 a.m., why an Order temporarily suspending or otherwise limiting the license of respondent, Katherine A. Cooper, L.C.S.W., to practice social work in this State should not be issued pending final disposition of all charges in the Verified Complaint; and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of this Order together with the Verified Complaint and the Affidavits and Exhibits in support thereof be served upon the respondent, Katherine A. Cooper, L.C.S.W., forthwith; and it is further

ORDERED that separate from the response to the Order to Show Cause, respondent, Katherine A. Cooper, L.C.S.W., shall file an Answer to the charges contained within the Verified Complaint by April 3, 2000; said Answer to be entered by mail to the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners, P.O. Box 45033, Newark, New

Jersey 07101, with a copy to Kathy Stroh Mendoza, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law, 5th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07101, and it is further

ORDERED that an admission of the charges will indicate that respondent does not wish to contest the charges stated, rendering unnecessary any hearing in this proceeding. An Order of Temporary Suspension will then be entered and the case presented to the State Board of Social Work Examiners within thirty (30) days from receipt of respondent's Answer or on an adjourned date together with any written matter respondent may wish to submit with the answer in alleged mitigation of penalty, for a determination as to whether disciplinary sanctions, including suspension or revocation of respondent's license to practice social work or lesser sanction should be imposed and whether monetary penalty and costs shall be assessed and, if so, the amount thereof, pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board by N.J.S.A. 45:9-1 and 45:1-14 et seq.; and it is further

ORDERED that a denial of the charges will result in a formal hearing which may be conducted by the Board or by an Administrative Law Judge who, upon notice to respondent, will hear the Complaint and consider the matter of disciplinary sanctions with respect to respondent's license and may recommend the possible determinations set forth above. Respondent may appear at the hearing either in person or by attorney or both and shall be afforded an opportunity at that time to make defense to any or all of the charges; and it is further

ORDERED that failure to respond to this Order to Show Cause, Notice of Hearing and Requirement to File Answer or failure to appear before the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners in person or by attorney as herein indicated, or failure to appear for formal hearing on the remainder of the charges as required, may result in this matter being considered in respondent's absence on the proofs presented and an Order and/or Judgment may be entered against respondent for any and all of the relief demanded in the Verified Complaint.

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With two (2) copies of respondent's Answer specifically responding to each paragraph of the Complaint. Send one to the Board office and a copy to:

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